

began his military career. He was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant through the Platoon Leaders Class program and following basic school, was designated a Naval Aviator. His hard work and tenacity paid off with his rapid advancement through the ranks.

Gary's notable missions include the "Flying Tigers" of VT-26, "Crusaders" of VMFA-122, "Aggressors" of H& MS-31 and the "Black Knights" of VMFA-314. While assigned to the VMFA-314, he was deployed to Turkey for Display Determination and SWA for Operations Desert Shield/Storm from August 1990 to March 1991.

Promoted to Major in July of 1991, Gary joined the 7th Marines. In December of 1992, he deployed as part of the Ground Combat Element to Mogadishu, Somalia for Operation Restore Hope where he was the Officer-in-Charge of a joint/combined multi-national security force and ten Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) that provided humanitarian relief to Mogadishu.

His dedication to duty, his integrity and sense of fair play were demonstrated in his role as Executive Officer for a 48 aircraft F/A-18 Hornet Fleet Readiness Squadron, the largest in the Marine Corps/Naval inventory. Gary was instrumental in the squadron achieving over 140,000 hours of mishap free flight time, a first in the F/A-18 Hornet history.

Lieutenant Colonel Correia has accumulated more than 3,600 mishap free flight hours. His personal decorations include Meritorious Service Medal and Gold Star, Air Medal w/combats "V," Strike Flight 1, Navy Commendation Medal W/Combat "V" and the Navy Achievement. He is the 1st Cape Verdean Naval Aviator and Marine Aviator and the first Black American promoted to rank of Lieutenant Colonel that is an F/A-18 Hornet Pilot.

He is married to Tracey, father to Chloe and Chase and the proud son of the late Joseph and Eva Correia. It is our distinct honor to ask our colleagues to join us in saluting Lieutenant Colonel Gary Anthony Correia, a man whose dedication and achievements are a credit to our country.

IN HONOR OF THE LATE CAPTAIN
WILLIAM Y. CLARK

HON. MICHAEL P. FORBES

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 29, 1999

Mr. FORBES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an entrepreneur, Captain William Y. Clark, a Long Island businessman who recently passed away at the age of 86.

Ask any parent and I am sure they will agree that leaving a legacy such as the reins of a family business is of great significance. Skillfully maintaining and expanding such an enterprise demands the infusion of innovative ideas which was William's specialty.

Captain William Clark was born in West Babylon, Long Island, in 1913. He was educated at Shelter Island schools and Mt. Hermon College, in Massachusetts. Trained as a youth on diesel engines, the company he inherited has been in the Clark family continuously since 1790, when the first ferry ran.

He spent his life serving the community at the helm of South Ferry, Inc., the ferry service that runs from North Haven (outside Sag Harbor) to Shelter Island. Under Captain Clark's watchful eye, the company has become what it is today, a fleet of four boats which can hold up to 16 cars apiece.

Captain Clark was a longtime member of the Lions Club, East End Church of Christ and, when not on call with his company, a member of Shelter Island Fire Department. He also served on the board of Timothy Hill Children's Ranch in Riverhead.

The night before he passed away, he laid in a deep sleep. He would open his eyes, struggle for a breath, and then fall peacefully asleep again. However, when his family began to sing "God Bless America," he would awake and spread a truly joyous smile on his tired face. He could not speak very well, but he summoned the strength to share a few more laughs with his family. He fell asleep soon after, waking to greet his youngest grandchild, Shelli, who had flown in from college to be with him.

To his three children, 13 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren, Captain Clark will be remembered as the patriarch of a family business spanning more than two hundred years. To a great number of those in the community, he will be looked upon as a man who quietly helped to maintain their precious quality of life.

Captain Clark embodied the type of role and innovator that all would have enjoyed being around and looked up to.

Colleagues, Mr. Clark is a community leader who will be sorely missed.

IN RECOGNITION OF MASTER SERGEANT RANDOLPH J. SAUNDERS,
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, ON
THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

HON. DON YOUNG

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 29, 1999

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of the great state of Alaska and all Americans, I extend heartfelt thanks to Master Sergeant Randolph J. Saunders, who gave more than twenty years of dedicated service in the United States Air Force. He entered active duty on 11 July 1978 and, after less than four years as an administrative specialist, Randy became an enlisted historian. Even before his formal retraining, he demonstrated noteworthy capability as a researcher and writer. Consistently outstanding histories became his hallmark, and these provided senior leaders with the data and analysis they needed to make informed, well reasoned decisions. The recipient of numerous command and Air Force-level awards over the next sixteen years, Sergeant Saunders earned a reputation as one who could quickly rebuild faltering unit history programs. He did this from Alaska to Texas, Idaho, Korea, California, and Colorado. Ultimately, Randy was hand picked to become the first-ever senior enlisted historian at Headquarters, Air Force Space Command in Colorado Springs, Colo-

rado. In a matter of months, Randy's unparalleled leadership rendered that command's field history program the best in the entire Air Force. We deeply appreciate Sergeant Saunders' contribution to the preservation of the United States Air Force history. I personally wish him and his entire family all the best as they return to civilian life.

HONORING THE CONTRIBUTIONS
OF DR. LUIS JOSE MOREIRA DA
SILVA BARREIROS

HON. MICHAEL E. CAPUANO

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 29, 1999

Mr. CAPUANO. Mr. Speaker, today Boston is experiencing a great loss. It is losing the services and expertise of a man who not only helped to increase civic involvement within our Portuguese community but also played an integral role in its economic and social evolution. Dr. Luis José Moreira da Silva Barreiros' tireless work as the Consul General of Portugal in Boston has enriched this area in so many important ways that his presence will be sorely missed by all who had the pleasure to work with him.

Dr. Barreiros' distinguished work with the Portuguese foreign service began two decades ago and since that time, he has consistently demonstrated his devotion to the development of a strong Portuguese community. Dr. Barreiros has worn many hats during his career, serving first as the Embassy Secretary in Maputo, Mozambique and later with the Advisory Council for Economic and Development affairs to the Portuguese delegation at the United Nations in New York. His economic expertise led him to other key posts with the Institute for Economic Cooperation and the Secretary of State for Economic Cooperation.

Since December 1994, Dr. Barreiros has served as Consul-General in Boston. It is for his work in this post that all of us here are profoundly grateful. The extraordinary relationship that Dr. Barreiros has forged with the Portuguese-American organizations in this area has been remarkable. He has worked with various committees in Boston to increase both Portuguese-American pride and civic engagement.

Dr. Barreiros leaves Boston having changed it for the better, and it is for this reason that all of us here are so sorry to see him go. It is a fitting commemoration of his work here and of the ties he has forged between our two republics that the United States State Department this month extended the ninety day visa waiver program for citizens of Portugal. The people of Portugal will be fortunate to have him back in Lisbon, and we all know that he will flourish in his new assignment. Dr. Barreiros, we wish you nothing but the best, and on behalf of all my constituents, Portuguese-Americans and other Americans whose lives you have touched, I would like to sincerely thank you for all that you have accomplished during your time here. You will be missed.